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Inventors:

William SUN

Our Ref:

2358.0130002/RWE/AES

Sir:

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- 2. Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b). The Assignment document was, or concurrently is, submitted for recordation pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.11; and
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